CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION TRANSMITTAL SHEET

We wish to inform of the intent to provide funding of up to \$75,000 for salaries, legal fees, and advertising fees to be incurred prior to the achievement of Entry into Force and first disbursement in connection with the implementation of the Compact by the Government of Nicaragua.

This attached notification is being sent to the Congress on February 6, 2006. Allocation and obligation of funds may be incurred on or after fifteen days from the date of this notification. The obligation of funds will be made at the time the applicable agreement is effective.

Sincerely,

Frances C. McNaught Vice President Congressional and Public Affairs

Enclosure:

As stated